

Christianity 101

(Serving)

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Part 2

Luke 4:38-39³⁸ After he left the synagogue, he entered Simon's house. Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. ³⁹ So he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up immediately and began to serve them.

Billy Graham "The highest form of worship is the worship of unselfish Christian service."

How do we find a spot to serve?

We do a service/volunteer inventory.

Church

Community

Family

We pray

Col 4:3³ At the same time, pray also for us that God may open a door to us for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains,

We look at our blessings

Hebrews 13:16 Don't neglect to do what is good and to share, for God is pleased with such sacrifices.

We look at our abilities

---Talents and skills

I Sam 16: ¹⁸ One of the young men answered, "I have seen a son of Jesse of Bethlehem who knows how to play the lyre. He is also a valiant man, a warrior, eloquent, handsome, and the LORD is with him."

---**Spiritual gifts**

I Peter 4:10 Just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God.

We look at our current circumstances

Luke 10:30- ³⁰ Jesus took up the question and said, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him, beat him up, and fled, leaving him half dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down that road. When he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² In the same way, a Levite, when he arrived at the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan on his journey came up to him, and when he saw the man, he had compassion. ³⁴ He went over to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on olive oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day^u he took out two denarii,^u gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him. When I come back I'll reimburse you for whatever extra you spend.'

We look at our life wrecks

I Cor 1:3 ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort. ⁴ He comforts us in all our affliction,^u so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any kind of affliction, through the comfort we ourselves receive from God. ⁵ For just as the sufferings of Christ overflow to us, so also through Christ our comfort overflows. ⁶ If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation. If we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings that we suffer. ⁷ And our hope for you is firm, because we know that as you share in the sufferings, so you will also share in the comfort



● **We ask others.**

Proverbs 15:22 Plans fail when there is no counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.

Close:

Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'

Martin Luther King, Jr.